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1. WARSAW'S TWO MAJOR NEWSPAPERS, TRYBUNA KULU AND ZYCIE WARSZAWY, BOTH CARRY IN THEIR SUNDAY MORNING EDITIONS A POLISH PRESS AGENCY (PAP) REPORT FROM PARIS ABOUT THE "UNEXPECTED" EXTENSION BY PRESIDENT NIXON OF HIS STAY IN PARIS IN ORDER TO HOLD POLITICAL CONSULTATIONS WITH COMMON MARKET CHIEFS OF STATE.

2. THE TRYBUNA LUDU ACCOUNT IS INCLUDED TOWARDS THE END OF A LENGTHY ROUND-UP STORY ON SATURDAY'S FUNERAL MASS IN PARIS FOR POMPIDOU AND OTHER ASPECTS OF THE FRENCH MOURNING. FOLLOWING A SUB-HEADING AND PARAGRAPH ON THE MEETING BETWEEN PODGORNÝ AND MESSNER, THERE IS ANOTHER SUB-HEADING "POLITICAL CONSULTATIONS IN PARIS," WHICH LEADS OFF BY BRIEFLY NOTING POHER'S MEETINGS WITH CHIEFS OF STATE AND GOVERNMENT AND THEN GIVES A TWO-PARAGRAPH ACCOUNT OF THE PRESIDENT'S MEETINGS, NAMING THE WEST EUROPEAN LEADERS WITH WHOM HE MET AND NOTING THAT "ALL THE CONVERSATIONS DEALT WITH THE AMERICAN PROJECT FOR A NEW ATLANTIC CHARTER, ANNOUNCED ALREADY LAST SPRING BY HENRY KISSINGER."

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3. ZYCIE WARSZAWY CARRIES THE SAME PAP REPORT IN A LENGTHIER VERSION

AS A SEPARATE STORY WITH THE HEADLINE" " POLITICAL CONSULTATIONS IN PARIS. CONVERSATIONS OF NIXON WITH THE EC CHIEFS OF GOVERNMENT." IT INCLUDES A COMMENT BY PAP PARIS CORRESPONDENT ROBERT BIELECKI, THAT "IN PARIS IT IS NOT EXCLUDED THATNIXON SUCCEEDED IN OBTAINING AGREEMENT ON THE CALLING OF AN ATLANTIC SUMMIT BEFORE HIS JUNE TRIP TO THE USSR. IT IS ALSO BEING OBSERVED THAT NONE OF THOSE WITH WHOM NIXON MET HAD TAKEN SUCH AN UNYIELDING POSITION AS FRANCE ON THE QUESTION OF POLITICAL CONSULTATIONS."

4. WE HAVE NOT NOTED ANY OTHER MEDIA COMMENT TO DATE ON THE PRESIDENT'S VISIT TO PARIS.

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